

IC 25-22.5-12**Chapter 12. Residency Pilot Program for Qualified International Medical School Graduates****IC 25-22.5-12-1****"Graduate" defined**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "graduate" means a qualified international medical school graduate.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-2**"Resident" defined**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "resident" means a graduate who has been accepted in the residency pilot program under this chapter.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-3**Residency pilot program established**

Sec. 3. The board shall work with primary care residency programs, limited to family medicine, pediatrics, and internal medicine residency programs, to develop a pilot program for a period of seven (7) academic years to better identify, evaluate, and prepare qualified graduates for future practice in Indiana.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-4**Eligible graduates**

Sec. 4. The board shall allow family medicine, pediatrics, and internal medicine residency programs in Indiana that elect to participate in the residency pilot program to accept graduates from medical schools that:

- (1) are not on the board's list of approved medical schools; and
- (2) are not on the list of schools disapproved for postgraduate medical education training.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-5**Application process**

Sec. 5. The board shall develop an application process for each approved residency program's participation in the residency pilot program.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-6**Disapproved medical schools; list**

Sec. 6. The list of disapproved medical schools must be updated by August 1 of each year to the best ability of the board to exclude any medical schools that are not known to be qualified educational institutions.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-7**Request for temporary permit**

Sec. 7. The program director of a residency pilot program that wants to participate in the residency program shall submit a letter to the board requesting that the accepted residency candidate receive a temporary permit for residency training. A representative of the residency pilot program must appear with the candidate for a hearing of the board.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-8**Temporary permit duration**

Sec. 8. A temporary permit to participate in residency training may be:

- (1) issued to a graduate for one (1) year; and
- (2) renewed for two (2) additional one (1) year periods;

until completion of the residency program. The board may require the graduate to appear before the board.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-9**Eligible candidates**

Sec. 9. A candidate for the residency program must be certified by the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) to participate in the residency pilot program.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-10**Pilot program director's report**

Sec. 10. The director of a participating residency pilot program shall submit a written progress report to the board within three (3) months after the beginning of training of a resident to verify that the resident is providing the quality of medical care to patients expected at the level of medical experience and training of the resident.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-11**Dismissal of resident; notification of board**

Sec. 11. The residency program director shall promptly inform the board in writing if a pilot program resident is:

- (1) dismissed for failure to meet the professional expectations of the residency program; or
- (2) incapable of competent medical practice.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-12**Annual progress report**

Sec. 12. The residency program director shall submit a report concerning the progress of each resident to the board at the completion of the first and second years of the resident's training

recommending renewal of the temporary medical permit for one (1) additional year if the resident's performance is satisfactory.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-13

Completion of pilot program; additional practice requirements; failure to complete program

Sec. 13. (a) Upon the resident's completion of the three (3) year training program, the residency program director may be required to appear before the board to:

- (1) verify the competency of the resident; and
- (2) recommend that the candidate be issued a license to enable the candidate to practice medicine in Indiana.

If the resident was granted a temporary permit under the residency pilot program, a graduate participating in the program may not be issued a permanent license until the graduate completes the three (3) years of pilot program residency training and completes two (2) years of practice in Indiana to complete the pilot program requirements. The type of license the graduating resident obtains for the two (2) years of practice after residency shall be determined by the board. The board may defer the practice requirement if the resident requests a delay to participate in an Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited fellowship program that enhances the practice of primary care. The candidate must appear before the board for permanent license approval.

(b) Failure to complete the residency pilot program for reasons including:

- (1) negligence;
- (2) incompetency; or
- (3) issues of professionalism;

is an adverse event reportable to medical licensing boards in other states. Issues not related to performance are not reportable events.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-14

Successful candidates

Sec. 14. International medical school graduates who have successfully completed the residency pilot program and have met all requirements of this chapter:

- (1) shall be given equal standing for licensure with other international medical school graduates who have graduated from approved medical schools; and
- (2) must meet all other licensure requirements under IC 25-22.5-3-1.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-15

Data collection by board

Sec. 15. The board shall collect information and data during the residency pilot program concerning the:

- (1) successes of;
- (2) failures of;
- (3) difficulties encountered in; and
- (4) number of residents involved in, entering, and graduating from;

the program.

The information must include data based on the six (6) required ACGME competencies used to evaluate all residents.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-16

Limit on number of candidates

Sec. 16. There may not be more than two (2) graduates allowed under this pilot program for each approved primary care residency program.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.

IC 25-22.5-12-17

Chapter expiration

Sec. 17. This chapter expires December 31, 2013.

As added by P.L.157-2006, SEC.61.